## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 3, line 5 from the bottom of the page, to page 4, line 4 of the page, with the following paragraph.

stands for unsubstituted or, optionally, one or more times with halogen[[ $_{7}$ ]] substituted  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl, or one or more times with halogen substituted  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl or  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy substituted aryl or heteroaryl, with the exception of compounds in which aryl is bonded directly to the =NR<sup>2</sup> group in the meaning of A,

Please replace the paragraph on page 18 appearing on the last 4 lines of the page, with the following paragraph.

whereby phenyl, or substituted phenyl or naphthyl is not <u>directly bonded to</u> right in the =NR<sup>2</sup> group in the meaning of A,

R<sup>2</sup> stands for hydrogen or methyl,

Please replace the paragraph on page 23 appearing between the two table on that page, with the following paragraph.

whereby phenyl, or substituted phenyl or naphthyl is not <u>directly bonded to</u> right in the =NR<sup>2</sup> group in the meaning of A,

R<sup>2</sup> stands for hydrogen or methyl,

R<sup>3</sup> stands for pyridyl or for phenyl, pyridyl or 1,2,3,4tetrahydronaphthyl that is substituted in one or more places with hydroxy, halogen, methyl or methoxy, or for the group

Please replace the paragraph on page 26 appearing between the two table on that page, with the following paragraph.

whereby phenyl, or substituted phenyl or naphthyl is not <u>directly bonded to</u> right in the =NR<sup>2</sup> group in the meaning of A,

R<sup>2</sup> stands for hydrogen or methyl,

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R<sup>3</sup> stands for pyridyl or for phenyl, pyridyl or 1,2,3,4tetrahydronaphthyl that is substituted in one or more places with hydroxy, halogen, methyl or methoxy, or for the group